

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

I'm inclined to agree with the millionaire who said, "If you have to ask the price of a yacht, you can't afford it." I feel this could apply to the purchase of many other luxury items as well, not to omit dining out at today's prices.

I don't know about you, but my choice of entree is usually made by going down the price list first, to "keep down the bill." As a result when I'm asked, "What looks good?" my reply sounds more like I'm quoting the Dow-Jones averages rather than the menu: "Filet of Sole up 50 cents from Friday's averages. Sautéed Tripe holding its own. Macaroni avec Bologna Rounds today's best buy."

Past experience also has taught me when dining with others to turn over the wine glass, hoping to start a trend. It's only when someone else is picking up the tab that I suddenly develop a craving for New York cuts.

Actually, the type of restaurant I should frequent is the one which advertises in neon lights, "All you can eat for \$1.19." Unfortunately I have come to learn that you will have trouble polishing off more than 35 cents worth of the potables, unless you love garbanzo beans.

Nor can you trust the advice of a friend who will tell you that the prices are "reasonable." But for whom, you ask later, "Diamond Jim" Brady?

Rather than be shocked by the bill which often provides the same reaction Louis XVI had when he received his guillotine appointment notice, I have worked out a "rule of thumb" which will help you estimate what the total will be:

Upon arriving at the restaurant you circle around the block several times like Indian scouts preparing to ambush the wagon train before it becomes apparent that there is no place to park. Other than by white-overalled attendants who get paid handsomely to do so.

You are greeted by a hostess wearing an Oriental gown, cut to the hips.

The place is so dimly lit your waiter should wear a miner's hat with lamp to lead you to your table.

There are separate waiters for salad, soup, rolls, water, etc.

Everything arrives on a tea cart and is prepared before your eyes, such as your peas, which are shelled and podded for you to observe first hand.

There is a hat-check concession and a uniformed attendant in the ladies' room which displays a tray conspicuous with 50-cent pieces and folding money.

Menus resemble small billboards, are printed in Sanskrit with French subtitles.

Everything is a la carte, including the tooth-picks.



Dolls Of Yesteryear

Doll collectors will have the opportunity of viewing a large collection of dolls from the past when the South Bay Doll Club stages its annual Doll Show on Oct. 7 and 8 at the Eagles Hall in Redondo. Joanne Butzirus, club historian, is pictured here with antique dolls, which will be among the club's large collection on display.

Delightful Musical Comedy

Presented as Benefit for Hospital Auxiliary Nov. 5

"Little Me" a delightful musical comedy depicting the rags-to-riches life of Belle Portrine will be presented by the Long Beach Civic Light Opera Association for the benefit of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary. The event will take place at 8 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5, at the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium Concert Hall.

The play, by Neil Simon, is based on Patrick Dennis' book, Little Me and tells the story of a poor girl's rise to stardom with the usual ingredients of undying love, social snobbery, undaunted pursuit of an ideal, a two million dollar windfall, degradation and regeneration. As the successful Belle relates her version of the past, flashbacks reveal the true experiences and the disparity between the two provide a hilarious deadpan parody of such memoirs.

There will be two female leads, young and mature Belle. The mature Belle will be played by Bell Ellig. Wallace Arntzen will be the male lead and as such will play seven different roles. Flashback sets and costumes comprise the wrong side of the tracks in Venezuela, Ill., to a gambling casino in Europe.

Memorable songs include "The Wrong Side of the Tracks," "A Real Live Girl," "I Love You," "Boom Boom," and "Poor Little Hollywood Star."

Mrs. John Gunning, Auxiliary ways and means chairman, is coordinator of the event and her co-chairman is Mrs. David Herrig.

Mrs. Arthur Grayson, Auxiliary president, said that the proceeds from the show will be used by the Auxiliary to purchase a second fluoroscopic X-ray unit for the radiology department of the hospital. The new unit operates in the same manner as an ordinary X-ray unit

but it has image intensification which reduces radiation dosage. The unit also contains a highly sensitive television camera, completely concealed and mounted in the unit. A flip of a lever and one can switch from direct viewing to television. This feature is extremely beneficial in consultation and instruction procedures.

Tickets for the event may be purchased at the Mutual Ticket Agency at Joe Villano's Magnavox Center at 3852 Sepulveda Blvd., in Torrance or through any Auxiliary member.

Circus Theme for Doll Club's Annual Show

"The Greatest Show on Earth," the South Bay Doll Club's 10th annual Doll show will take place Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 7 and 8 at the Eagles Hall, 128 S. Catalina, Redondo.

The show is being trans-

formed into a miniature big top with a collection of Schoenhut circus stars and a zoo collection of many types of Schoenhut animals.

Center ring will spotlight two star performers giving programs. Each day at 2 p.m. Carylls Keyes will speak on "Dolls Through the

Years." Another star, Doris Shoumayer will present a fascinating slide show entitled "Show of Shows."

Major door prizes will be a doll which will be awarded Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. A table filled with items for dolls and a bazaar table of unique gifts will prove interesting to those attending the Doll Show.

And to make the circus complete there will be a refreshment booth offering for sale beverages, sandwiches and homemade pies.

The public is invited to attend "The Greatest Show on Earth."

South Bay Doll Club officers are Vicki Diggs, president; Mabel Cooper, vice president; Linda Ratelle, secretary; Emma Specht, treasurer and Joanne S. Butzirus, historian.

Governor To Visit Mu Phi

Palos Verdes Peninsula Chapter of Mu Epsilon will meet at the home of Miss Thyrn Snyder, 23027 Cerise Ave., Torrance, Monday evening, Oct. 9.

The occasion will be highlighted by the official visit of Mrs. Bruce Campbell, Southwest Province Governor of the sorority, who resides in Whittier. A varied musical program will be presented by the chapter members. An ensemble, consisting of Miss Elizabeth Moe, violin; Mrs. Melvin Satterburg, violin; and Mrs. James Hardy, piano, will entertain. Also performing will be Mrs. George Hammer, soprano, and duo-pianists, Mrs. Keith Nelson and Mrs. Paul Bennett.

Co-hostess for the evening will be Mrs. Charles Haber.

Xi Zeta Chi Breakfast

Xi Zeta Chi Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, will host a breakfast Sunday morning, Oct. 8, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carlson, in Gardena.

This is a ways and means project for the chapter with Mrs. Carlson as chairman. Homemade baked goods will be on sale.

Rummage Sale

Lomita Cootlettes will sponsor a rummage sale Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Veterans Hall, 24425 Alliene, Lomita. Hours for the sale are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Cootlettes' veteran-hospital projects.

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To Attend Convention in Phoenix

Representing the local Rayne of Torrance water conditioning dealership at the corporation's annual convention Oct. 5, 6, 7 and 8, are Mr. and Mrs. Stacy B. Rodman.

The four-day meeting in Phoenix, Ariz., will be attended by Rayne dealers from throughout the nation. Rayne dealers will meet at the Mountain Shadows Hotel to learn of new methods and products being introduced into the water conditioning business.

Mr. Rodman, president of the local Rayne Water Conditioning franchise has lived in the South Bay area for fourteen years, twelve of them in Torrance. He and Mrs. Rodman have six children, Bryan 16, Aric 14, Mark 11, Cynthia 6, Karyn 3, and Lori 1 year.

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Classes In Israeli Dance Open Oct. 17

Due to an unprecedented demand, Temple Menorah, 1101 Camino Real, will be the scene for a class in Israeli Folk Dancing on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 until 11:30 a.m. beginning Oct. 17 for ten consecutive lessons.

The class will be instructed by Shlomo Bachar, born in the old city of Jerusalem. He is a fifth generation Sabra and he began his pantomime career with Shal K. Ophir. In 1961, the Jewish Bureau of Education, Dance Department, engaged him to teach Israeli dances to the Los Angeles area. Today he has 18 classes a week ranging from teenagers to adults.

Mr. Bachar formed the Hadarim Israeli Folk Ensemble. The class is being sponsored by Temple Menorah Sisterhood to raise money to equip the Religious School. Interested persons may call the Temple office, Mrs. Edward Sokolski or Mrs. Mark Reichard.

Madrecitas To Meet in New Location

Las Madrecitas Auxiliary of the Children's Guild of Orthopaedic Hospital will meet tomorrow at 10 a.m. in its new meeting place, California Federal Savings, 27608 Silver Spur Rd., Palos Verdes Peninsula. "Know Our Provisional" is the program after which the group will tour the Club Bagatelle, at Golden Cove Center.

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